



and phase-shifters) in series. Each microring in a weight-bank represents a weight, and weighting mechanism is performed by changing the resonance wavelength [7]. A n-doped heater embedded in the microring alongside the waveguide is used to change the temperature of the silicon to affect the refractive index ( $n_{eff}$ ) of the silicon which leads to change the resonance wavelength ( $\lambda_{res}$ ) according to the equation [6], [8]:

$$\lambda_{res} = \frac{n_{eff}L}{m} \quad (1)$$

where  $L = 2R$  is the length of the microring waveguide, and  $m$  is the order of resonant mode. The  $\lambda_{res}$  is extracted experimentally by doing a current sweep. A 4th order polynomial fit is performed to find  $n_{eff}$  from Eq.1 and is implemented in the Verilog-A phase shifter model. Figure 2 shows the comparison between the experimental and simulated spectrum of the n-doped heater.

Fig. 2. Comparing the Verilog-A simulated and experimental spectrum of a n-doped microring resonator where the current to the heater is swept from 0-1 mA.

### B. Microring Modulator

The p-n junction microring modulator is constructed by combining the coupler and p-n junction phase shifter [2]. The p-n phase shifter exploits plasma-dispersion and carrier depletion effects, and the parameters ( $n_{eff}(V)$ ,  $\lambda_{eff}(V)$ ) are extracted experimentally and implemented in Verilog-A model. Figure 3 shows the comparison between the simulated and experimental spectrum of microring modulator.

Fig. 3. Comparison of the simulated and experimental spectrum of microring modulator for different reverse bias voltages.

## III. PHOTONIC NEURON SIMULATION

A single photonic neuron is simulated in Verilog-A. Figure 4 shows the schematic of the single photonic